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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Re: Application of SHIMOMURA, YUJI, AIZAWA, TOMOYUKI, KINNO, DAI
ROLLING SLIDING MEMBER, PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION
THEREOF AND ROLLING SLIDING UNIT
Assignee: **NSK LTD.**
Our Ref: Q78607



Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/809,247 (Confirmation No. 5315) filed March 16, 2001 of SHIMOMURA, YUJI, AIZAWA, TOMOYUKI, KINNO, DAI entitled ROLLING SLIDING MEMBER, PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND ROLLING SLIDING UNIT.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 7 sheet(s) of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3683.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/809,247 filed March 16, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	P. 2000-073653	March 16, 2000
Japan	P. 2000-270071	September 6, 2000
Japan	P. 2000-301656	October 2, 2000
Japan	P. 2001-44839	February 21, 2001

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/809,247.



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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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